

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants:	John A. Salon, et al.	Confirmation No. 8876
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Sir:

**COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 11, 2007 FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the December 11, 2007 Final Office Action ("the Office Action") issued in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Office Action is due March 11, 2007. Accordingly, this Response is being timely filed.

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